

REMARKS

Claims 1-2 are pending in the present application. Claim 1-2 have been canceled. New claims 3-22 have been added. Therefore, upon entry of the present amendment, claims 3-22 will be subject to examination.

New claims 3-21 are fully supported in the specification, and no new matter has been added. More particularly:

New claim 3 is supported, e.g., at pages 3-4 and 18 of the specification.

New claim 4 is supported, e.g., in the various examples in the specification.

New claim 5 is supported, e.g., at page 5 of the specification.

New claim 6 is supported, e.g., at page 3 of the specification.

New claim 7 is supported, e.g., in the pages beginning at page 6 of the specification.

New claim 8 is supported, e.g., at page 7 of the specification.

New claim 9 is supported, e.g., at page 6 of the specification.

New claim 10 is supported, e.g., at page 6 of the specification.

New claim 11 is supported, e.g., in the pages beginning at page 9 of the specification.

New claim 12 is supported, e.g., at pages 9-11 of the specification.

New claim 13 is supported, e.g., in the pages beginning at page 12 of the specification.

New claim 14 is supported, e.g., at page 15 of the specification.

New claim 15 is supported, e.g., at page 20 of the specification.

New claim 16 is supported, e.g., at page 20 of the specification.

New claim 17 is supported, e.g., in the pages beginning at page 22 of the specification.

New claim 18 is supported, e.g., at page 22 of the specification.

New claim 19 is supported, e.g., at page 22 of the specification.

New claim 20 is supported throughout the specification.

New claim 21 is supported, e.g., at page 5 of the specification.

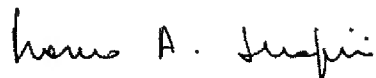
CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks submitted herein, Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

If it is felt that direct communication would serve to advance prosecution of the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney of record, Franco A. Serafini, by telephone, fax, or e-mail.

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